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IN VACATION.

Impersonating an Officer.—Captain—"What's he charged with, Casey?"

Officer—"I don't know the regular name fer it, captain; but I caught him a-flirting in the park."

Captain—"Ah, that's impersonatin' an officer."—Judge.

Uncorroborated Testimony.—A Connecticut man tells of the case of one Silas Ketchum, the champion liar of a village in that state.

It appears that one day Si was arrested and brought before the local justice for chicken stealing.

"Jedge, Your Honor," he said, "I plead guilty on the advice of my lawyer."

But the Justice gazed at the noted prevaricator and rubbed his chin dubiously.

"I dunno," he said, "I dunno. I guess—well, Si—I guess I'll have to have more evidence before I sentence ye."—Ex.

Leading Questions.—The late John G. Johnson, Philadelphia's famous lawyer, was once explaining to a jury the nature and the unfairness of "leading" or guiding questions. He illustrated his explanation with an anecdote.

"A young chap and a pretty girl," he said, "sat on a secluded bench at Lemon Hill. The girl turned to him and said earnestly:"

"'You ask me for a kiss. There is a language in kisses. A kiss on the hand denotes chivalrous respect. On the forehead it denotes a firm and faithful friendship. On the lips'—her color rose and she drew a long breath—'a kiss on the lips denotes all things. Kiss me, then, once. Express in one kiss your feeling toward me.'

"The bashful youth pondered.

"'I don't want to lose her,' he said to himself. 'Where is it best to kiss her? Hand, forehead or lips?'

"A mellow whistle interrupted him. He looked at the girl. Her red mouth was puckered up in the form of a rosebud; she had pulled down her hat so as to hide her forehead completely, and both hands were thrust up to the wrists in her jacket pockets."—Ex.

Kleptomania.—"Pa, what's kleptomania?"

[&]quot;Why-er-it means taking something you don't want."

[&]quot;Was it kleptomania when I took the measles?"-Ex.

A Citation in Error.

The lawyer who blunders Before a punctilious court Or raves and thunders To a jury loving quiet Or entangles his own witnesses And lets others untramelled pass Is out of luck, and distresses His brothers who figure him an ass: But his foolishness is of small bore, To be forgotten soon, if not before. The "big gun" in making mistakes, Who among errors woefully rakes, Is the counsellor of mentality dense Who so far forgets good horse sense As to vigorously cite with praise galore Some case in which his Honor before Ascending to his lofty seat Met a most disastrous defeat. Thereby losing "rep" and a goodly fee-That advocate is companioned by adversity.

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